AGAINST LIABILITIES OF \$252,000.

ton Brothers, at the direction of Judge Hurd, of the County Court, yesterday filed a bond in \$100.

60, the American Surety Company becoming his

bondsman. Judge Hurd based the amount of the

bond on statements made by Charles K. Ovington.

a member of the firm, in affidavits explaining the

Ovington states that the bills receivable marked

is uncollectable and amounting to \$38,387 42 are ab-

solutely worthless. The stock in the New-York and Brooklyn stores is scheduled at its actual cost

value, and would not bring more than 40 per cent

at a forced sale. The stock in Brooklyn is valued

at \$75,714 55, and that in New-York at \$22,584 18. Th

at \$15,714 55, and that in New-York at \$22,581 18. The real estate in Flatbush-ave is worth \$2,582, subject to mortgages for \$42,600. The condition of the assets of the firm, subject to creditors' attachments aggregating \$21,371 16, is as follows:

Real estate, \$22,371 16, is as follows:

Real estate, \$22,882, merchandise in Brooklyn store, \$75,714 55; actual value, \$45,419, merchandise in New-York store, \$22,581 18, actual value, \$14,350 51; bills receivable, good, \$1,751 75, actual value, \$14,371 65; bills receivable, bad, \$28,387 42; bills receivable, New-York store, \$1,465 18; actual value, \$1,231 77; fixtures, \$2,805, actual value, \$500. Total nominal assets, \$227,805. Total actual assets, \$66, 134 94, Habilitles, \$252,000.

HER PIANO TAKEN BY FORCE.

MRS. WILLDRIDGE TOLD A STORY OF ROUGH

USAGE, BUT JUSTICE WALSH RE-

FUSED A WARRANT.

Mrs. Margaret Willdridge yesterday applied to Justice Walsh in the Butler Street Police Court for

a warrant for the arrest of some unknown person,

who, she declares, entered her apartments on Sec

tember 3 and stole her plane, for which she says she

The plane was bought a year age by Mrs. Will-

dridge's married taughter, Maria Golding, Mrs. Golding is now in the Seney Hospital, Mrs. Gold-

She has been unable to pay the rent, and her in-

debtedness amounted to about \$700. She offered to

give her mother, in part payment of this amount, her

piano. Mrs. Willdridge willingly accepted it, and placed it, together with the piano stool, in her front

On September 3 a burly man knocked on Mrs.

Willdridge's door, and when she opened the door slightly, he pushed his way in, and, seating himself

on a chair, began whistling unconcernedly. Then, ac-

money. I have a number of beautiful lots in Deer

"No, I don't want to buy any lots," said Mrs. Willdridge in reply. "I'm too old to be buying lots.

The next one I purchase will be six by two feet in

At this juncture another man entered the room

and asked Mrs. Willdridge if she had a plane. Si

said she had, and he told her that he had come to

cording to Mrs. Willdridge, he said:

Park, which you can have for a small sum.

ing has been living in a flat in her mother's hour

has a receipt in full.

the cemetery.

figures in the inventory published yesterday.

THE NEWS OF BROOKLYN.

MEASURES TAKEN TO IMPROVE THE CITY'S DRINKING WATER.

DIFFICULTIES IN THE WAY OF DRAINING PONDS RESERVOIRS IN NEED OF PURIFICATION

MR. DE VARONA'S STATEMENT.

Mayor Wurster is going to confer with City Works Commissioner Willis regarding the condition of the city's water, which Health Commissimer Emery has declared to be dangerous and productive of danger. The Mayor said yester-

We have men at work cleaning the reservoirs and ponds, and will increase the force. We take immediate steps to remove the conons which have given rise to complaint. I shall have a talk with the City Works Com-

missioner about it as soon as practicable." Commissioner Willis did have a talk with the Mayor yesterday, but whether or not the question under discussion was the water supply was

not learned. "We have had men at work cleaning the reservoirs and ponds constantly. We shall, however increase the force as far as is necessary," said

Mr. Willis. Both the Mayor and Mr. Willis declined to give information as to where the cleaning is being done at present, how many men are employed and how many more men are to be put at work. For these details Commissioner Willis referred reporters to Mr. De Varona, chief engi-

neer of the water supply. But Mr. De Varona likewise refused specific nformation when asked these same questions, He intimated that he would have a complete statement in a day or so of the exact work he is doing or intends to do toward relieving the water of the horrible little creatures with jawfracturing names that Dr. Emery's experts found in the source of supply.

Whether the reticence about giving specific infermation about the work of cleaning the sources of supply arises from the fact that much of the city surface water is drawn from private ponds and the department wants to avoid stirring the opposition of owners and local boards of health or whether Commissioner Willis is awaiting the report of his own expert, Professor Leeds, of Stevens' Institute, before beginning active work, can be only a matter of conjecture. To a Tribune reporter Mr. De Varona said:

can be only a matter of conjecture. To a rive une reporter Mr. De Varona said:

Our pands and streams, far from being in a worse condition than in past years, generally are cleaner and in a good many cases the improvement is remarkable. We have always beeft and are ceaning them to-day, being imited only by the restrictions of property-cowners on land that we do not own given in those cases we have prepared maps and are committed our surveys to determine what amount committed and must be purchased to protect the water supply, and we are purchasing the land as fast as prepared; and as far as our resources extend. This method is necessarily a slow one, but the existing execution leaves us no other curse to pursue. The situation at Hempstead its perfectly were known to us. We have studied the question theroughly and prepared plans to protect the water supply. In the budget for this year, now before the Board of Aldermen, the necessary appropriation to carry on this work was asked Hempstead sorting is really the weak point of our system as far as quarity goes. Springfield creek, far from being an important source of supply, is a small one. We have shull it off, however. The water is now wasting over the weit, and I should be giad to have you go and examine it. We are always partolling and cleaning the stream. It should be borne in mind, however, that at this season of the year in wholesalte emptying and cleaning of the points can be done, because the local Boards of lie also object to it, caiming that the demaining of the points can be done, because the local Boards of lie also object to it, caiming that the demaining of the points can be done, because the local Boards of the also there months has there been even overhalf of the surply derived from surface water, and the algest runnor of a change in the proportions does not desire any refutation.

If would appear from this that

It would appear from this that some of the Aldermen who have done as much as they can to te the hands of Commissioner Willis in the mat water maintenance, are largely responsible the bad condition of the water. Commis-Willis asked for the usual appropriation water maintenance this year, and the rea special vacation meeting of the Board that that body reluctantly doled out part of the money needed to take care of the people's drinking water.

Water Purveyor Knapp, who is responsible for the distribution of the water, does not agree with Engineer De Varona that the bad odor and taste of the water develops wholly after it baves the reservoirs. He thinks the trouble originates in the sources of supply and partly it the reservoirs

reservoirs.
have been blowing out pipes wherever was complaint," said Mr. Knapp to a me reporter. . . "But I do not think to the more than to Tribune reporter. "But I do not think this blowing out of mains does much more than to carry off accumulations of iron rust and such regetable material as may have gathered in the lipes I think the impurities come from the reservirs, and primarily from the sources of supply. I do not think the trouble is in the distributive risten, notwithstanding some of the gentlemen

system, notwithstanding some of the genterness apstairs.

To far as I can learn the Ridgewood reservirs have never been cleaned. No one of the livent keepers remembers to have heard of the leservoirs ever being cleaned, and a late keeper who half been there a long time could not remember that the reservoirs were ever drained or deaned. The old reservoir is more than twenty lears old, and the new ones are about three language.

Fars old. "I noticed the physical tests that were made at reservoirs. The water that was tested was the surface. What would have been the re-if the water had been taken from nearer on the surface. the bottom. During the latter part of July the largest and one of the new ponds was emptied to within about eight feet of the bottom, so that repairs might be made. A screen was taken out and found to be covered with a thick scum of vegetable material. It was so thick that the

of vegetable material. It was so thick that the water could scarcely go through.

It was about the time that the water was so low in the reservoir that complaints began comparing in. I have an idea that it was the part emptying of this reservoir that was responsible in the worst condition of the water in certain suts of the city. The tendency of foreign matter is attentional to the bottom. The purest water is always on top, so when water is drawn of the first to go is the purest water and the bad stater remains. It is important that the sources of supply should be cleaned, but also important that each of the reservoirs be cleaned. But before this can be done it will be necessary to make pipe connections that will enable us to supply the entire city from the remaining reservoirs while one of the reservoirs is being cleaned. entire city from the remaining reservoirs

while one of the reservoirs is being cleaned.

Commissioner Willis will probably have a 30-inch boring machine made this fall for the specific purpose of connecting the Albany-ave, pipe with the Atlantic-ave, pipe. Such a machine will cost upward of \$4,000, and the hitch at present is a financial one. If we get such a machine we can make the connections at the reservoirs that are necessary to enable us to reservoirs that are necessary to enable us to

clean out the reservoirs." Knapp has a bottle of water brought in by enraged Macon-st, consumer that has half inch of brown vegetable matter in the bottom and that when shaken looks like mucilage.

AN ACCUSED POSTMASTER HELD.

Jacob L. Van Wicklan, postmaster at Richmond Hill, who was arrested two weeks ago on a charge of misappropriating \$479.20 of Government money. was examined by United States Commissione Morie yesterday morning. Postoffice Inspector George W. Beaver testified that when he examined Van Wicklan's accounts on August 20 he found them short just the amount specified in the com-plaint. He demanded the amount due, but Van Wicklan, he said, was unable to produce the money. He then had him arrested. The hearing was adjourned until September 24. Van Wicklan's Strettes yesterday made good the amount of his Shortage.

TROLLEY LINES HAD NO POWER.

From 10:25 o'clock on Wednesday night until 1:10 clock yesterday morning no cars moved on either the Fifth-ave., West End, Manhattan or Canarsie branches of the Atlantic-ave. system. The power had given out, caused by a short circuit in the way at Thirty-inth-st. and Second-ave. Power was finally switched on from the Third-ave, power-house. At Coney Island and Ulmer Park crowds were in waiting for several hours to get back to the city. The Brooklyn Heights cars at Ulmer Park and the Smith-st. line at Coney Island carried most of the waiting crowds.

A MOTHER'S DARING ACT WHEN SHE LITTLE ROBERT SMITH NEED NOT LIVE THE OXFORD AND LINCOLN EXPECTED SAW THE LITTLE ONE DROWNING.

SHE COULD NOT SWIM, AND BOTH WOULD HAVE PERISHED HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR SER-

There was much excitement at Connely's pier at the end of Fourth-ave., about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when Mrs. Alice Estman and her seven-year-old daughter, Alice, of No. 46 Eleventh-st., were rescued from drowning. The child had been playing about the pier for half an hour or more when she was seen to go to

the end of the structure and look down into the water. While so doing she lost her balance and fell overboard. She uttered a cry as she fell, which alarmed her mother, who was sitting quietly at the other end of the pier. Mrs. Estman rushed out on the pier and when she saw her little child in the water she plunged over It was a daring act on the part of Mrs. Est-

man, as she never stopped for a moment to remember that she could not swim. She only though of her child, and she battled bravely with the tide to save her little one. As the struggled she cried for help, but the crowd who had gathered acted as if panic-stricken, for not one of them attempted to do anything until the arrival of Sergeant Henry Metcalf, of the Tarth President Tenth Precinct, who was spending a day's va-

Tenth Precinct, who was spending a day's vacation at the place.

Metcalf, taking the situation in at a glance, plunged into the water without removing his clothes, and swam to the assistance of Mrs. Estman and her little daughter. The mother was about to sink for the second time, and the child for the third time, when Metcalf reached them. He managed, after considerable difficulty, to get a good hold of the pair, and, after a braye struggle with the outgoing tide brought a brave struggle with the outgoing tide, brough them ashore. The child was unconscious, but after half a hour or more she recevered, with medical assistance.

CARL FIQUE'S SONG WINS.

HIS ENTRY RECEIVES FIRST PRIZE IN THE NORTHEASTERN SAENGERBUND CONTEST.

Carl Figue, who is a prominent figure in Brooklyn musical circles, has received the first honor in the Northeastern Saengerbund Volk song contest for his song entitled "Ach Weist du es Noch." test for his song entitled "Ach Weist du es Noch." | Millicent Smin, Robert's sister, admitted that of Hermann Spielter, director of the Beethoven casionally her brother was whipped and sent into

CLEANING SUPPLY SOURCES JUMPED TO SAVE HER CHILD HIS AUNT TO CARE FOR HIM.

WITH HIS STEPMOTHER.

FOR THE BOY TO BE IS WHERE HE IS

WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS.

Robert J. Smith, eleven years old, is one of the happiest boys in Brooklyn to-day, and all through eding which occupied several hours before Justice Dickey in the Supreme Court yesterday The proceeding was the return of a writ of habeas corpus, through which Robert's stepmother, Mrs. Margaret L. Smith, of No. 304 Pulaski-st., sought to compel his aunt, Eliza Middleditch, of No. 98 Clymer-st., to give the boy up to her. Robert did not want to go, and when Justice Dickey decided that he could stay with his aunt he could hardly restrain his foy.

Robert's father died in 1894, nine months after his marriage to the petitioner. He left two chil-dren, Robert, and a girl, Milliceat, who is two years older, and who still remains with Mrs. Smith, and is glad to do so, according to her statement in court. Mr. Smith appointed his friend Frank McDonough as testamentary guardian of the chil-dren, and as Mr. McDonough has gone to Denver. Col., he left the children in the care of Mrs. Smith. One day last May Robert went to school as usual. but when night came he did not go home. A tele-gram came to Mrs. Smith shortly afterward, in-forming her that Robert was with his aunt. Since that time he has remained with Mrs. Middleditch and refused to return to his stepmother. she learned that she could not get him back she brought the habeas corpus proceedings. Mr. Tread well appeared in court yesterday as counsel for the testamentary guardian, and William A. Mathis for Mrs. Middleditch. Mrs. Smith testified that she always treated Robert well, sent him to sch and saw that he received proper religious instruction. Her husband left the Pulaski-st, house, where she lived, in trust for the children, and she lived with them on the upper floor, renting the two lower floors for \$25 a month. That, with a little income from millinery work, was all she She said that she had never ill treated Robert, and he had often manifested affection for her. In cross-examination Mrs. Smith admitted that she had not always fived happily with Mr. Smith, but she denied that she had contemplated separating from him before his death. She declared that she had never defamed his memory before his children or told Robert that he ought to be ashamed to

have such a father. Millicent Smith. Robert's sister, admitted that oc



MR. AND MRS. CARL FIQUE.

Mannerchor of New-York, received the second | the bathroom in the dark. The case for the petitioner Mannerchor of New 1012.

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Was closed and after recess Robert was called to the Northeastern Saengerbund is composed of over stand to testify for the respondent. He is a remarkthree hundred singing societies. All these societies will rehearse the two compositions receiving honors, and they will be sung in grand chorus at the cighteenth annual convention of the National Saengerfeste, to be held in Philadelphia next year, competition for a first prize of \$150 and a second

competition for a first prize of \$150 and a second prize of \$5.6.

The Northeastern Saengerbund meets every three years. Its last meeting was in New-York two years ago. Since then compositions in competition have been coming in steadily. S. K. Sanger, chairman of the Music Committee, received seventy-two songs, one of which was from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The judges of the songs were Carl Samans, II. Herrmann and Eugene Klee.

Carl Fique, who carries off first honors for Brooklyn, is leader of the Brooklyn Quartet Club and organist of the Zion Church, in Henry-st. He was married early in the summer. Mrs. Fique is a great help to her husband, as she herself is a musician of considerable ability. The couple are on their way home from Germany, where the honeymoon was spent.

A CONEY ISLAND TRILBY.

THIS FOURTEEN YEAR OLD GIRL THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN HYPNOTIZED BY AN ITALIAN.

Hattle Brack, the fourteen-year-old girl who was reported to the police of Coney Island as missing from her home, Thirty-sixth-st, and Martin's Lane on Sunday last, has been found, and is now in the custody of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. According to the story told by Ser geant Spreckley and Policeman Donaher when the girl was arraigned before Justice Nostrand yester day morning, they found her making a tour of the concert halls with an Italian, who afterward proved to be Felicia Eattaglie, twenty-nine years old, who keps a fruit stand in Ocean Parkway, near the creek. When taken to the station house the man said that he had met the girl at Coney Island, and she declared that she was willing to become his wife. The girl told a different story and said that she had met Battaglio near her home, and that he at once seemed to exercise a singular influence over her. She further stated that when she tried to get away he promised to buy her dresses and jewelry if she would remain at his home, where he took her. When questioned by the Justice yesterday morning she admitted that she had visited a number of concert halls on the island with the Italian, but she could not explain why she remained with him so long when she had many chances to escape from his company. As she seemed to be entirely devoid of will power the police believe that she was under the hypnotic power of the Italian. The latter, when arraigned before Justice Nostrand on a charge of abduction, pleaded not guilty, and was held under \$500 bonds for further examination. the man said that he had met the girl at Cone

ROAD WILL BE OPERATED NEXT SUMMER. Although the Brooklyn and Rockaway Beach Railroad Company has announced a suspension operations during the winter months, it is certain that the line will resume traffic next summer. ann suncement gave rise to the rumor that the road ann suncement have rise to the rumor that the road would not be operated again, as it has not proved to be a financial success. The officers, however, state that the road will not be abundoned. Last spring the directors endeavored to sell their plant to the Brooklyn Heights system, the idea heing to convert it into a troley line to Canarsie. Negotiations fell through, because the Rockaway Heach people wanted too much money for their property. Now the directors have a small-sized elephant on their hands.

ACCUSED OF STEALING FROM TRUNKS. Sylvester T. Searing, twenty-eight years old, or the old Mill Road, was before Justice Rhodes, it the Fort Hamilton Police Court, yesterday morning on a charge of grand larceny, made by Regi

to badly that he could not live with her any longe His aunt was the only relative he had and she loved alm; so he went to her.

He said that shortly before he left his stepmothe he was bitten in the leg by a dog. The wound was scarcely healed when his stepmother beat him with a whip, he said, across the wound and he could hardly stand the pain. Before she whipped him, she tol-him to take off all his outer clothes. That was in the morning before he went to his aunt.

Were you a pretty good boy?" asked Justic-

"Well, I don't think I was so awfully bad," re plied Robert. "Not any worse than other boys." When your father lived, did he ever punish you?

Yes, he always did the punishing then." How of en did he punish you?" Since he married my stepmother I think it was

en has your stepmother punished you?" hought a moment. Then he said: "Si sobert thought a moment. Then he said: "She always punishing me." tobert told Mr. Mathis that as soon as he went to a unit she sent a dispatch to his stepmether to her know where he was. His aunt told him that was free to go back at any time and even urged

Why didn't you go" asked Justice Dickey.
Because I love my aum best, was the quick re

"Doesn't she punish you?"

"Yes, if I am bad, but she has had no occasion to punish me."

The little witness said that he used to get nothing but outnead for his breakfast, although his stepmother had meat. He wanted bread and butter and coffee, for he did not like the oatmeal but Mrs. Smith told him that the oatmeal filled him up enough. When he did not do exactly as she wanted him to, he was put in a dark room. Regarding his stepmother's conversation about his father, Robert said. 'She said she had seen him drunk, and she taiked every way about him, until she made me cry. She said he was a drunken man, she said he stole and almost said that he had murdered a man." "Did she do that often?" asked counsel.

"Whenever I was bad, she did it as a punishment. She was not kind or affectionate, and she always did more for my sister than she did for me. She gave her nicer things and more of them."

Mrs. Eliza Middeditch, the aunt, took the stand and said that she was the only relative of the boy. When he came to her on May I, he was nervous and his body was full of bruises. His lower legs were covered with wells, as if he had been struck with some heavy instrument. He was carelessly dressed and his clothes were in a bad condition. The shoes which he had worn were produced in court and the soles were almost entirely gone.

Counsel on both sides summed up the case, and then Justice Dickey said that he thought he would dismiss the writ. The best thing for Robert was to be placed where he would be the happiest, and it was plain to be seen that there was no love lost between him and his stepmother. Robert could hardly contain himself when he heard the disposition which the Justice made of his case. He ran to Mrs. Middleditch, and, with his arms about her neck, told her how glad he was that he did not have to leave her.

HIS DEATH DUE TO POISON.

HORSON GRANT, WHO DIED SUDDENLY ON MON-DAY, COMMITTED SUICIDE.

The funeral of Hobson Grant, who died on Monday morning at his home, No. 410 Nostrand-ave. was held last evening. It was learned yesterday that Mr. Grant's death was the result of poison ing from a large quantity of rough on rats which he took early on Monday morning with suicidal intent. The members of Mr. Grant's family have made every effort since his death to conceal the facts regarding his sudden and fatal illness.

and M. Spencer, E. Boddie, James Hermann and Benjamin Pogson. The complainants, who are all drivers for the Remsen Express Company, accused Searing of breaking open their trunks, which they stored over the express office in Howard-ave, where they also lived, and stealing \$290 from them. Scaring, when arraigned, pleaded not guilty and was held in \$500 ball for examination on Tuesday morning next.

ENTHUSIASM FOR THE TICKET.

The Twenty-first Ward held a rousing ratification meeting last evening at its headquarters, at No. \$7012, Dekalb-ave. The meeting had been advertised by the liberal distribution of small green "dodgers" bearing the Republican State emblem and the words "We will not have a \$35-cent dollar." The attendance was large and the enthusiasm unlimited. The speakers advertised to appear were Lyman Steele, J. A. Judge and William F, Randall.

CLUBS MAY UNITE.

TO JOIN HANDS.

JUSTICE DICKEY DECIDES THAT THE BEST PLACE A MOVEMENT ON FOOT FOR THE ERECTION OF HOUSE LARGE ENOUGH FOR BOTH ORGANI-ZATIONS AND THE FORMATION OF A

CLUB WHICH WILL RIVAL THE BEST IN THE CITY.

Committees representing the Oxford and Lincoin clubs held a joint conference a few days ago and set on foot plans for the consolidation of the clubs and the building of a handsom



OXFORD CLUB HOUSE.

new clubhouse, it is expected, in Clinton-ave. This announcement will cause widespread surprise in clubdom, by reason of the fact that both clubs are prosperous, elegantly housed, and long ago settled down to the enjoyment which comes from well-regulated luxury and good fellowship. Should the merger be made, and it is fully believed by those in charge of the conferences that it will be, the new organization will press the Union League, the Hamilton, the Montauk and one or two other clubs for prece dence along the lines of wealth and influence represented by the personnel of its members. The negotiations are as yet regarded a state secret, and it was difficult last night to learn exactly what had thus far taken place. It was found, however, that the Lincoln Club people could probably seil their house at a reasonable figure, and it is thought that the Oxford is in an equally fortunate position. Further conferences will be held in the immediate future, and it is expected that before the holidays the merger will be accomplished and that architects will b invited to submit plans for a clubhouse which will surpass in beauty either of the present

clubs. The Oxford Club, of which General William C. Wallace is president, was organized and incorporated in June, 1880. The building is at South porated in June, 1880. The building is at South Oxford-st. and Lafayette-ave. It was formerly a large private house, and cost the club \$45,000. At considerable expense it was fitted up for club use. It was not long before the need of more room was felt, however, and the adjacent lot in Lafayette-ave, was bought and built on. The Oxford is an ultra-conservative organization, with purely social, literary and artistic aims. It has a membership of about 500. During the social season musical and literary entertainments are given at regular intervals, and these constitute features of the social life of the city. The club has an art and library association, and its labors have resulted in the adornment of the rooms with beautiful pictures and works of art, together with a carefully selected library.

Martin E. Berry is president of the Lincoln Club, which was organized by twelve men in February, 1878, for the purpose of furthering the interests of the Republican party and for social enjoyment. Before twelve months had passed the club occupied two frame houses at Nos. 65 and 67 Putnam-ave. In 1880 it was regularly incorporated, and soon dropped its political features, becoming entirely social. In 1883 both frame houses were purchased and extensively altered. In 1886 an addition costing \$9,000 was built. In 1886 an addition costing \$9,000 was built. In 1886 an addition costing the building is a handsome four-story structure in Putnam-ave. near Downing-st, costing over \$30,000. It covers an area 45x120, is built of Oxford-st. and Lafayette-ave. It was formerly

standing of its steadily growing membership. The building is a handsome four-story structure in Putnam-aye, near Downing-st, costing over \$20,000. It covers an årea 45x120, is built of pressed brick and Lake Superior sandstone, with terra-cotta trimmings. It follows the French Renaissance, has a handsome stoop with elaborately carved balustrades. The first floor is devoted to a reception-room, dining-room and office. The second floor is given over to billiards and cards. The sleeping rooms proper are on the third floor, and on the fourth are accommodations for the employes. President Wallace, of the Oxford Club, is at present out of the city. Martin E. Berry, president of the Lincoln Club, was seen last night at the clubhouse about the proposed consolidation. He said: "Yes, to dead the proposed consolidation of the Lincoln and Oxford clubs has been talked of for some time among the boys. Many of us are members at the Oxford, and we have a number of their men encolled on our books. So far the consideration of the matter has only been informal, and I could not state any of our plans definitely at present. not state any of our plans definitely at present.
As soon, however, as members get back from the country we shall seriously take into consideration the advantages as well as the disadvantages of a union of the two clubs. Committees will be especially appointed for that purpose." Mr. Berry would not say whether the project had been broached by the Oxford or the Lincoln Club.

COLONEL HAYWARD NOT RELEASED.

DISTREE GOODRICH REMANDS HIM BACK TO THE LONG ISLAND HOME

Colonel William A. Hayward, the veteran of the Confederate Army, who asked for release from the Long Island Home, in Amityville, where he the Long States has been confined as a paramolae, was yesterday remanded to the home by Justice Goodrich of the Supreme Court, and the writ of habeas corpus by which he carried his case before the Court was dismissed. Justice Goodrich decided that he cantor release the patient justice.

A NORTH DAKOTA DIVORCE.

ROBERT R. SELLICK DID NOT CONTEST THE SUI BROUGHT FOR DESERTION.

Mrs. Cora Sellick, wife of Robert R. Sellick, of this city, secured an absolute divorce yesterday in Fargo. N. D., where she had been living for some months in order to secure it. The divorce was is-sued on the ground of desertion. Mr. Sellick is a salesman at No. 1.213 Fulton-st. He did not know yesterday that the divorce had been issued until dispatch was shown him. Mr. Sellick made this reference to the matter:

"I was served with papers in the suit, but made no defence. Although the divorce was given on the ground of descriton, I did not desert my wife On the contrary, I was willing to support her, On the contrary, I was willing to support her, and did everything a husband could for her happiness. The whole trouble arose from my refusal to continue living with her people. I wanted to prepare a home for ourselves, but she refused to isave her parents. For four or five years of married life we lived with her people, and about a year ago I decided that it was best to get a home of my own. I left the house upon her refusal to accede to my wishes:

Mrs. Sellick was Miss Cora Travis. The family lives at No. 156 South Portland-ave., and all the members of it are out of town at present.

MRS. BEECHER ILL WITH WHOOPING-COUG

Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher, for the fourth time in er long life, is ill with whooping-cough. She caught the disease from her great-grandchildren, the grandchildren of her daughter, Mrs. Harriet Elizabeth Beecher Scoville, whom she recently visited in Connecticut. Mrs. Be-scher has been home from her summer outing since last Friday night, and returned in an enfeebled condition. She was better vesterday, and sat up in her big armchair part of

vesteriay, and so the day, the day, "To think, at my age," said she to a 'riend, "that I should be down with whooping-cough!" Mrs. Reecher had intended to visit her friend, Mrs. Black, at Peckskill during September, but she will remain at home.

YOUNG WOMEN TO BECOME TEACHERS. The roll of the Training School for Teachers will

be inaugurated at the beginning of the next school year by about ninety-three young women, making the total attendance nearly two hundred and fifty, This number is about fifty less than the number of teachers appointed annually to places in the schools, so that upon completion of their studies there will be no lack of places for them to fill.

NO MORE STERILIZED MILK. ACTUAL ASSETS ARE SMALL.

GREAT GOOD ACCOMPLISHED BY ONLY \$66,134 94 SHOWN BY THE OVINGTONS. NATHAN STRAUS'S CHARITY. Henry Morris Haviland, the assignce of Oving

THE DEATH RATE AMONG INFANTS MATERIALLY DECREASED-THE WORK TO BE RE-

SUMED NEXT SUMMER.

Nathan Straus has ordered the distribution of sterilized milk to be discontinued for the season. The depots made possible by the beneficence of Mr. Straus were in operation seven weeks, and during that time the amount of good accomplished was great. It is understood that Mr. Straus has given orders that urgent cases may



in New-York, at Avenue C, and blanks have been left with the Health Department for that

Mr. Straus, having demonstrated the entire

The matron at the diet dispensary at No. 21 DeKalb-ave., in speaking yesterday of the milk given out during the summer, said:

"The benefit derived has been incalculable. The supply came every day, Sundays included, boxed and packed in ice. At first some of the children carried in arms looked as if they were almost dead, and in a little while they were so improved that you would hardly know them. One child that was brought here was covered said she had, and he told her that he had come to get it. Both men went into the parlor, pulled the chairs aside, and made room for the removal of the instrument. Mrs. Wildridge protested, she said, and produced her receipts to show that the piano belonged to her. The men called up two negroes from the street, however, and together they took the piano downstairs and carted it away. Mrs. Wildridge says that the men used her roughly, would not let her go near the window to call for an officer, and tried to take her receipts away. When the men were going away one of them left his name and address with a tenant living downstairs, and said that when Mrs. Wildridge cooled down he would explain why he had taken the piano away. He said that he was the Sheriff, and that he had been ordered to take the instrument to Hegemann's auction rooms for sale.

The next day Mrs. Wildridge inquired at the auction rooms for the piano, but it was not there. Then she went to the store of the dealer in Fulton-st. but he knew nothing of it. The Sheriff said that he had not sent any one to Mrs. Wildridge's house to get it, and, in fact, no one seemed to know anything about the piano whatever.

Mrs. Wildridge then went to her lawyer, Charles I. Patterson, who advised her to take out a warrant for the arrest of the man who took away her property and left his name with her tenant. Justice Walth, for some reason or other, refused to give the warrant, and this morning Mrs. Wildridge will make another application. with boils caused by insufficient nourishment. and now they are all healed, the child is well and hearty, although it will, no doubt, carry the scars of those boils to its grave. I could not enumerate all the cases which I have seen where children grew fat and weil under the daily and regular diet of this milk, which was given to their mothers here. I hope the distribution of the Pasteurized milk will be taken up next summer. The good man who gave the milk this summer seemed to spare no expense in having it carefully and regularly delivered here. I had applications for it this morning, and I really felt sorry I had none, by I gave the next best thing.

applications for it this morning, and I really felt sorry I had none, by I gave the next best thing. We give beef, milk, eggs, rice, oatmeal, beef tea, mutton broth and jelles here, of course on of-ders from physicians."

In connection with the milk supply Secretary West has sent a statement to Mr. Straus, glving the result of the season's work. Accompanying, it is the following table showing the percentage of deaths of children under two years of age from diarrhoeal diseases, to total deaths, coverfrom diarrhoeal diseases, to total deaths, cover-ing a period of twelve weeks of the heated term:

THE CHURCH NOT ADMITTED.

MEMBERS OF THE FOURTH AVENUE BAPTIST MUST WAIT UNTIL JANUARY 1 TO ENTER THE LONG ISLAND ASSOCIATION.

Delegates from twenty Baptist churches on Wednesday night deferred until January 1, 1897, or later, the admission of the Fourth Avenue Baptist

should be recognized for what we have already done. Here we have a building that will cost probably \$6,250 when fully completed. We have spent \$1,500 on it already and owe only \$450 for the work done. It is true we have a mortgage of \$1,500 on our property but that is the extent of our indebtedness. Our lots cost as \$3,750. We started with and still have only twenty-cignit members, but just as soon as we ere recognized by the Long Island Association our congregation, I feel convinced, will increase to considerably over one hundred. There are many, I hore, who will become members as it is and help us to pay off our debts before the first of the year."

The nucleus of the new church, whose building is man Thirty-second-st, was the West End Mission, which Mr. Whitchurst had charge of. The late Joseph Wilde, of Eay Ridge, gave \$2,500 toward the purchase of the lots, and \$3,000 toward the building. With other aid from the Church Extension Society a brick structure was erected. Mr. Whitehurst was formerly pastor of the East End Church.

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Church. The articles of faith, and the letters of the new church were passed upon favorably on Wednesday night. The Rev. Dr. R. B. Hull, president of the Church Extension Society, presided.

PROF. MAINS TO GO TO PENNSYLVANIA. Professor William C. Mains, A. M., son of the Rev. Dr. George P. Mains, long an honored Methodist pastor in this city, has been appointed to the chair of history and political science in Ursinus College, a German Reformed institution at Collegeville.

Penn., thirty miles from Philadelphia. Professor Mains was chosen by the trustees of the college just after his graduation from the University of Berlin, with special honors, on July 9. Pro fessor Mains had spent two years in study abroad, being for a portion of the time at the University of

Professor Mains was graduated from the University of the City of New-York with the degree of A. B. in 1892. In 1894 he received the honorary degree of A. M., having also wen the Butler philosophi-

CHARGED WITH STEALING JEWELRY. Alice Dooley, who secured a place as domestic in

the boarding-house of Mrs. Mary Luke, at No. 67 Livingston-st., on her representation that she wished to help her mother, who was in unfortunate circumstances, rewarded the kindness of her mistress, it is stances, resaminers, it is alleged, by plifering from the rooms of the boarders. Soon after Alice went to work for Mrs. Luke complaints were made by the boarders that small articles jewelry were missing from their rooms. vant was asked about this, but denied all knowledge of the stolen jewelry. Captain O'Reilly of the First Precinct was then consulted, and he placed Detective Brady on the case. The girl's actions were watched, and when the detective was sure that she was impileated he arrested her. When she was searched at the police station scarfpins, cuff-buttons and other small articles of Jeweiry were found upon her. A visit was then made to the girl's home, at No. 53 Manhattan-ave. Mrs. Dooley gave a pin to the detective, which was set with rubies, which Alice had brought home a few days before, saying that it had been given to her by a friend. The mother was much grieved to find that the pin had been stolen. When Alice Dooley was arraigned before Justice Waish, in the Adams Street Police Court, yesterday morning, her excuse for taking the property was that she had found it in the sweepings Mrs. Luke did not desire to prosecute the girl, but the Judge remanded her to jad until Motday. plicated he arrested her. When she was searched at

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practicability of his milk distribution, hopes that by another season some of the wealthy and philanthropic men of Brooklyn will aid in the work which he has begun.

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In his letter Secretary West states that the greatest good from the sterilized milk was in the cases of children under two years of age.

with a friend, to make connections with the Massa-chusetts Bicycle Club, which had planned a fortnight's tour in New-Hampshire, and made the trip

with a party of seventeen members in all. A careful schedule had been prepared, and special rates at the hotels had been secured, and special gramme had to be adhered to in spite of weather There as it makers, and were content with short and easy runs; so much so that the two Brooklyn riders would on some days have been glad to go further. Neither do the wheelmen of Boston hesitate to take trains frequently on their journeyings. It was the second tour for the summer of the club mentioned, for or, July 3, 4, 5 and 6 a much quicker trip over the same route was taken. The route was therefore familiato several members of the second party, but was not

the less enjoyed on that account. As some of the cyclists of Brooklyn are anxious to make a fourney by wheel through the White Mountain region, an account of Mr. Furst's trip somewhat in detail will be of interest. The party left Boston at I o'clock on Saturday, August 15, going by train to Plymouth, N. H., arriving there at 5 p m. The next day they took a train up the Pemigewasset Valley as far as North Woodstock, twen-ty-two miles, although the option was given to those who preferred wheeling there. From North Wood-stock they wheeled to the Flume House, Profile House, through the Franconia Notch, and to the Forest Hills Hotel, taking in the Flume, the Pool points of interest. The total wheeling distance from

The scheduled run for the next day was still shorter, being only five miles, to Bethlehem, where an opportunity was given to explore that famous resort fully. For August 18 the trip extended to gree of A. M., having also wen the Butler philosophical fellowship prize. At the end of a year in postgraduate study in the New-York University Professor Mains was elected to the chair of history and
political science in the Denver University, Denver,
Col. He remained there a year, and in the mean
time married Miss Sarah Bristol, of Cheyenne,
Myo. Professor Mains has shown himself to be a
man of marked ability in his line of work, and while
abroad received many commendations from so distinguished a teacher as Professor John Conrad, of
the University of Halle.

Tesort fully. For August 18 the trip extended to
Fabyan's, eighteen miles, but only a few of the
washington was to be the feature of the day, and
there was reason why those rather thinly clad
should not get greatly heated before going up the
mountain. That night was spent at the Crawford
House, and on the following day the party proteeded down through the Crawford Notch, ascending Mount Willard on the way, and went down the ing Mount Willard on the way, and went down the valley of the Saco as far as Bartlett; distance, af

> Thursday August 29, took them as far as North Conway, eighteen miles, including a side trip of size

Conway, eighteen miles, including a side trip of size miles to Jackson. At North Conway the wheeling trip for the Boston members of the company came to an end, for they remained there more than a week, visiting the various points of interest in the vicinity, and then took train to Portsmouth, whence they wheeled to Boston. It may be worth while to add here that the entire expenses of their trip, including the fare up and down Mount Washington, were less than \$50 each.

Mr. Furst and his friend left North Conway by train, after making the accent of Mount Kearsarge, and proceeded to Littleton. From there they went to bethlebem and witnessed the great coaching parade, which proved most interesting. Thenes parade, which proved most interesting. Thenes they set out across country to \$t. Johnsbury, Montpeller and Burlington, wheeling part of the way over poor roads and resorting to the railroad when things became too bad. From Burlington they went by steamer through Lake Champiain and Lake George, and resumed their bleycie trip at Caldwell, wheeling through Glens Falls and Saratoga to Albany and down the cast side of the Hudson as far as Fishkill. Then crossing to Newburg, they came down through the beautiful Ramapo Vailey.

The last part of the tour was by far the best